

## State of New Jersey

## DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

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TO:

County Welfare Agency Directors

SUBJECT: New Jersey Care...Special Medicaid Programs; Expansion Reminder

Legislation in 1991 provided for an expansion of the New Jersey Care...Special Medicaid Programs to include children born after September 30, 1983, who have not attained the age of 19 and whose family's income is less than 100 percent of the federal poverty level. The effect of this legislation is a phase-in of the eligibility for older children.

Accordingly, effective October 1, 1997, coverage is available for all eligible children who are aged six through thirteen and for those fourteen year-old children who became age fourteen subsequent to September 30, 1997.

Questions concerning this communication should be referred to the field service staff assigned to your county.

Sincerely,

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